

## MEDIA RELEASE

## **Neighbors Arrested for Selling Heroin**

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An approximately one-month long investigation by Santa Barbara Police Department Narcotics Detectives culminated on August 31, 2012, with search warrants being served at 717 Cook Avenue Apt. C and 718 Cook Avenue. Arrested were neighbors Maria Imelda Robles, age 46, who resides at 717 Cook Avenue Apt. C, and Regina Marie Trujillo, age 53, who resides at 718 Cook Avenue. Robles was arrested for heroin sales and conspiracy to sell heroin while Trujillo was arrested for possession of heroin for sale and conspiracy to sell heroin, all felonies.

Investigation revealed that the neighbors were working together to distribute heroin. Customers would order the drug from Robles who would then obtain it from Trujillo. Robles would then meet the customers and complete the sale. Over the course of their investigation detectives observed drug transactions and arrested several of Robles's and Trujillo's customers for either possession of heroin or soliciting the sale of heroin. During the search of Trujillo's residence detectives found 30 bindles of heroin, with a street value of \$600.00, and \$5,258.00 in cash.

While completing the search warrants detectives were contacted by several residents on Cook Avenue who expressed appreciation of the Police Department's effort to stop the drug sales on their street. Robles and Trujillo were booked into Santa Barbara County Jail on the aforementioned charges with bail amounts of \$30,000.00.





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